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# SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

## CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] This application is a ~~continuation of co-pending U.S. national stage application of~~ International Application No. PCT/EP2004/007336 filed July 5, 2004, which designates the United States of America, and claims priority to German application number DE 03017299.3 filed July 30, 2003, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.